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In accordance with IC 4-2-6-9, you must file your disclosure with the State Ethics Commission no later than seven (7) days after the conduct that gives rise to the conflict. You must also include a copy of the notification provided to your agency appointing authority and ethics officer when filing this disclosure. This disclosure will be posted on the Inspector General's website. Name (middle) Name (first) Name (last) Joseph David Bennett Job title Name of office or agency Director of Titles **Bureau of Motor Vehicles** ZIP code City Address of office (number and street) 46204 Indianapolis 100 N Senate Avenue Office e-mail address (required) Office telephone number dabennett@bmv.in.gov (317) 232-4805 Describe the conflict of interest: I am currently employed with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles as Director of Titles. I have applied and been offered a position with Next Gear Capital ("NGC"). NGC assists automotive dealers in the management of their inventory and also provides lending products for new and used dealers. NGC is owned by Cox Automotive, who also owns Dealer Track ("DT"). BMV does not license NGC, DT, or Cox Automotive. BMV does not have a contractual relationship with Cox or NGC. BMV does have a contractual relationship with DT as a Partial Service Provider. I do not have any oversight or am involved in any fashion in BMV's PSP programs. My only interactions with DT or NGC as a BMV employee is answering questions they might have in regard to an individual title applications for a respective dealer. Since being made aware of the position with NGC, I have not assisted or been approached to assist NGC of any matter involving the BMV. Upon notifying Joe Hoage, BMV Ethics Officer, of my activity relative to the NGC position, a screen was instituted prohibiting me from working on any and all matters relative to NGC, Cox Automotive, or Dealer Track in my role as a BMV employee. Commissioner Peter Lacy and my direct supervisor, Keri Washabaugh, are both aware of the screen that has been instituted.

Describe the screen established by your ethics officer: (Attach additional pages as needed.) I am screened from any and all questions or inquiries that are directed to me from DealerTrack, Cox Automotive, or NGC	
submitted to me in my role as a BMV employee. Please see email attached.	

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AFFIRMATION	
Your signature below affirms that your disclosures on this form are true, complete, and com-	rect to the best of your
knowledge and belief. In addition to this form, you have attached a copy of your written disappointing authority and ethics officer.	· ·
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Your signature below affirms that you have reviewed this disclosure form and that it is true, complete, and correct to the best of your knowledge and belief. You also attest that your agency has implemented the screen described above.	
Signature of ethics officer	Date signed (month, day, year)
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Hoage, Joseph

From:

Hoage, Joseph

Sent:

Thursday, November 29, 2018 10:25 AM

To: Cc: Bennett, David

Subject:

Washabaugh, Keri L. RE: Job Opportunity

Thank you David for your submission. I will review and follow up with any questions or concerns. I will have a response and if necessary, a layout of the next steps to be taken, to you by early next week.

From this point forward, you shall screen yourself off from <u>any and all</u> questions or inquiries directed to you from DealerTrack, Cox Automotive, or NextGear Capital submitted to you in your role as a BMV employee. I have copied your supervisor so that she is aware of the screen that has been implemented.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

- Joe

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From: Bennett, David

Sent: Thursday, November 29, 2018 9:50 AM To: Hoage, Joseph <JHoage1@bmv.IN.gov>

Subject: Job Opportunity

Joe,

My name is David Bennett and I've been with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for roughly 7 years. A job opportunity has come up that I will be accepting, given there are no ethic concerns.

NextGear Capital has offered me a position as a Supervisor in their titles department. I will be overseeing a team of 10-15 title clerks. My team will be responsible for processing title work for dealers and lenders

throughout the country, including Indiana. NextGear Capital is owned by Cox Automotive, who also owns DealerTrack.

The BMV does have a contract with DealerTrack, as they are one of our multiple Partial Service Providers (PSPs). Throughout my time with BMV, I have not dealt with any contract aspects of the PSP program, but I have dealt with them from an operational standpoint. As Director of Titles, it is common for an employee of DealerTrack to reach out to me directly or a member of my team for input on title paperwork, but all contract questions or concerns are handled through our PSP Department.

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Let me know if you need any additional information.

Thank you,

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